VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 1340

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF VILLAGE FUNDS TO MAKE NEEDED ROAD, BRIDGE AND OTHER PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS CAUSED BY EXCESSIVE RAINFALL AND FLOODING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Village of Georgetown, Ohio (the "Village") has been affected by excessive rainfall and severe flooding from the rising Ohio River resulting in backwater flooding along creeks emptying into the Ohio River, endangering the lives and property of Village residents and other assets of the Village, including, but not limited to, the degradation and failure of certain roads and bridges within the Village; and

WHEREAS, there is an urgent and immediate need to take measures to protect lives, homes, and property, and to ensure that basic needs of Village residents are met; and

WHEREAS, the excessive rainfall and flooding has resulted in the failure of a portion of Mr. Orab Pike, an essential roadway utilized by residential and commercial traffic for ingress and egress to and from the Village and which serves as one of the primary access points to the Village school district campuses; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council has passed a Resolution declaring a State of Emergency to exist within the Village;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Georgetown, Brown County, Ohio, a majority or more of all members thereof concurring as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Village Council has declared and found that a State of Emergency exists in the Village of Georgetown as a result of excessive rainfall and flooding which necessitates the immediate expenditure of Village funds and resources to ensure the protection of the lives and property of the people of Village of Georgetown, and to begin the restoration of local government services and infrastructure with minimal interruption.

SECTION 2. The Village Administrator is authorized to spend an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00 to be used for the emergency repair and replacement of Mt. Orab Pike, and any other roads, bridges and essential transportation routes or any other infrastructure within the Village affected by recent excessive rains and flooding.

SECTION 3: That the Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and well-being of the residents of the Village and in order to provide immediate funding for the repair and replacement of damaged roads, bridges and other infrastructure within the Village.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed and adopted at a legally convened meeting of Council held on the 14th day of February, 2019.

Dale E. Cahall, Mayor

Attest:

Natalie K. R. Newberry, Fiscal Officer

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